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How To Protect Your Android

So, you have purchased the latest Android smartphone technology a Samsung S4 or S5 and now you are wondering how you protect yourself. The following are the top four apps that can help you protect your data from cyber-attacks and/or spyware:



1. 360 Mobile Safe and 360 Security - Antivirus (free) Google Play/Amazon

A major player in China, developer Qihoo burst onto the security apps scene and claimed the top spot in late 2013. This developer reports a flawless detection rate of 99.9%, the highest of any security apps tested. The 360 Mobile Safe app is a full featured security app that offers phone checkups, antivirus, vulnerability fixing, call and SMS blocking and more. The 360 Security - Antivirus app protects your phone from the latest viruses, malware, system vulnerabilities, and privacy risks.

2. Avast! Mobile Security (free) Google Play

This is a genuinely free app for the Android platform. Avast! Mobile Security is offering an impressive range of tools. It has anti-virus protection, it scans your apps to provide details on what they are doing, and it has web shield that scans URL's for malware. This app also includes an anti-theft component. The anti-theft feature is hidden and allows you to control your smartphone remotely using SMS. So, if you lose your phone you can remotely lock it, locate it, or wipe it. You can make it play a siren sound, lock down the SIM Card, and prevent USB

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debugging as well. You can also block Wi-Fi access or the network for specific apps which will improve your battery life. This is a top application for malware protection and safe browsing.

3. ESET Mobile Security & Antivirus (free) Google Play/ Amazon

This is a new entry for the top four and deserves its place with 100% detection rate and the latest antivirus-test report and easy to use interface. The basic app is completely free and provides real time scanning of apps and detects malware and potentially dodgy apps trying to send texts or make premium rate calls. The free version also includes a selection of anti-theft tools. You can remotely locate and lock your phone and prevent anyone from uninstalling apps using password protection. The premium version is \$20.00/year which provides you wipe of SIM card capabilities.

4. Avira Antivirus Security Google Play

With a 100% detection rate and no false positives, you can trust the free version to automatically scan your apps for malware. This app can track your phone's location, remotely lock your phone, and trigger a sound even if your phone is left in silent mode.

How To Protect Your Phone From Theft

The best approach is prevention. Firstly, your smartphone must be password protected. The Samsung S5 can now be protected by a password as well as a fingerprint scanner. You can also activate security parameters with your phone and deactivate your smartphone remotely and/or erase all data as well as activating the locate features. This is also a great feature if you misplace your phone.